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In re Application of  
Kiernan et al.  
Application No. 09/980,890  
Filed: April 17, 2002  
Attorney Docket No. UDL-115

This is a decision on the petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b), filed March 8, 2004, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **granted**.

This application became abandoned for failure to timely reply within three months to the non-final Office action mailed June 4, 2003. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, this application became abandoned on September 5, 2003. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on January 12, 2004.

Petitioner has met the requirements to revive the above-identified application pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b).

The file is now being forwarded to Technology Center 3700 for further examination on the merits.

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